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2010 NEW YORK MILK PRODUCTION INCREASES

Total milk production in New York during 2010, at 12.7 billion pounds, was up 2 percent from 2009, according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field office. The annual average number of milk cows, at 611,000 head, was down 1 percent from the previous year. Annual output per cow averaged 20,807 pounds, up 4 percent from 2009.

Cash receipts from the sale of New York milk during 2010 totaled \$2.2 billion, up 31 percent from the previous year. The \$17.40 per hundredweight received for all milk sold by New York farmers was up \$3.80, or 28 percent, from the \$13.60 received in 2009. Marketing totals include whole milk and producer-separated cream sold to plants and dealers as well as milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 32 million pounds of milk was used on farms during 2010, unchanged from the previous year. About 93.7 percent of the milk used on farms was fed back to calves. The value of all milk produced, including milk fed back to calves, totaled \$2.2 billion, up 30 percent from 2009.

U.S. milk production increased 1.8 percent in 2010 to 193 billion pounds. The rate per cow, at 21,149 pounds, was 576 pounds above 2009. The annual average number of milk cows on farms was 9.12 million head, down 86,000 head from 2009. Cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2010 totaled \$31.4 billion, 28.9 percent higher than 2009. Producer returns averaged \$16.35 per hundredweight, 26.5 percent above 2009. Marketings totaled 191.8 billion pounds, 1.9 percent above 2009. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers and milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 991 million pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, 2.0 percent less than 2009. Calves were fed 89 percent of this milk, with the remainder consumed in producer households.

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